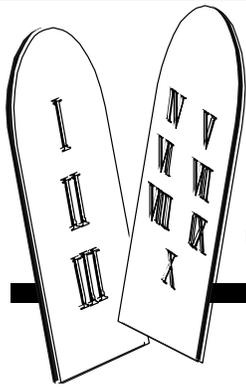

Sixth Sunday of Easter



*Those who love me
keep my commandments*

May 21, 2017

Sat. May 20, 2017

11:00 am – Catechist Formation

5:00 pm – Kevin Maher, Jr. Victoria Mercado, Robert Hare,

Sun. May 21, 2017

9:00 am – Mary Ellen Tucker, John A. Geidel,
Joan & Edward Connolly

11:00 am – Joana DeAbreu, Michael Garay,
Guckian & Fay Families

Mon. May 22, 2017

Tues. May 23, 2017

10:00 am & 6:30 pm – Book Club

Wed. May 24, 2017

10:00 – Sunday Scripture

Thurs. May 25, 2017 Feast of the Ascension

9:00 am – Raymond Foos, Johanna Schmidt, Fr. Pat

7:00 pm – Rosalina Rodriguez, Thomas Gallagher

7:00 pm – AA

Fri. May 26, 2017

Sat. May 27, 2017

11:00 am – Baptism

3:30 pm - Reconciliation

5:00 pm – Victoria Mercado, Louis Cipriani, Michael Quinn

Sun. May 28, 2017

9:00 am – Aida Seda, Brandon J. Stout, Joseph Albanese

11:00 am – Jonathan Raleigh, Guckian Fay Families,
Joyce E. Wright-Vanek

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Thursday, May 25th is the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, a Holy Day of Obligation. All Catholics are expected to worship with their community on Holy Days of Obligation. We will be celebrating Mass at 9:00 am and 7:00 pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for families entering our Religious Education Program for the *first* time will be held on Sunday, June 4th at 10:00 a.m. in Deacon John Hall.

There will be a short informational meeting for all parents prior to registration. Requirements for registration are as follows: **original baptismal record** for all children and **transcripts** for those who are coming from another program. If you have any questions or concerns please call the **Religious Education Office at 361-5816**. Thank You

2017 CARDINAL'S ANNUAL APPEAL

If you have been prayerfully contemplating making a pledge or gift to the Cardinal's Appeal it's not too late to do so today! Envelopes may be obtained from the shelves at the entrances to the church, or visit: www.cardinalsappeal.org to make a donation online. Remember each pledge and gift is welcome and valued!

A big thank you to all the families who have already contributed to the 2017 Cardinal's Appeal - your generosity has been overwhelming.

\$500 SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

The Pine Bush Knights of Columbus Council is offering a \$500 scholarship. Criteria is: (1) the student must reside in the Pine Bush School District; (2) be a graduating senior who will be attending college in Fall 2017; and (3) be an actively practicing Catholic. An essay is required with the topic being Our Lady of Fatima. Since this is the 100th Anniversary of the sightings of the 3 children of Our Lady of Fatima in Portugal in 1917, the essay must give a short synopsis of the occurrence and must explain the significance of Our Lady's words and warnings for Catholics in the present day. **It must be between 250-300 words, typewritten, and received no later than 6/12/17. Include your name and a contact number.** E-mail them to kofc5329@hvc.rr.com (as an attachment), or mail it to: **Knights of Columbus 5329, PO Box 166, Thompson Ridge, NY 10985.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

**May 13th & 14th – Totaled \$7,534.07
Collection \$5,336.86 – Online \$2,197.21**

Thank you!



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Gianna Alessandro
 Caroline Barth
 Liam Blackwell
 Keirnan Bresnick
 April Conklin
 Kayden Conklin
 Joseph Coppola
 John Ercolani
 Joseph Fontana
 Jessica Frank
 Charlotte Innamorato
 Kayleigh Kuzmiak
 Matthew Martir

Jillian Masci
 Logan McKenna
 Elena McKinney
 Ethan McPhillips
 Alessandra Pierpoint
 Ava Ronaldson
 Emma Russell
 Darren Russo
 Cooper Sherry
 Shea Toback
 Sophia Zovko
 Angelo Zullo

PARISHIONERS HAVE NEEDS TOO

We want to assure everyone that the **Food Pantry** is open and available for **parishioners** to use, also; at **your** convenience! Please don't hesitate to avail yourselves of the opportunity for '**private access**' (during "off-hours") to the Pantry.

You can make private arrangements with any member of the church Staff, either: Fr. Sean or Deacon John, Mary Olsen (Coordinator of the Pantry), Anna Cesca (Admin. Asst.), Jessica Carpino, (Coordinator of Rel. Ed.) Kim Porpora, (Rel. Ed. Admin. Asst.) or Maxine Martin (Bookkeeper).

BOOK CLUB NEWS

Abraham: A Journey to the Heart of Three Faiths.

by Bruce Feiler, has been selected by the AFF as the spring book club selection. The group meets on **Tuesdays in May from 10 - 11:15 a.m.** and in the evenings from **6:30 - 8 p.m.**

A limited number of copies will be available on a first come basis in the Church office for \$4 or you may purchase on Amazon.

Please read the pages listed ahead of each session:

Week 4 People of Abraham pgs. 160 - 185

Week 5 Legacy pgs. 186 - 218



PARISH LIFE SURVEY

St. Paul's is forming a committee for the creation of a Parish Life Survey. The survey will be aimed at understanding the interests, needs and concerns of our parishioners, as those relate to church involvement and participation. We are looking for volunteers for this committee. Experience in the creation of and/or use of surveys is not required, but would be a great resource. If you are interested, please email the Parish Council at pc.stpaulsbullville@gmail.com.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Sixth Sunday of Easter

“Jesus said to his disciples ‘If you love me you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him because he remains with you. I will not leave you orphans, I will come to you... And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him.’”

The priestly prayer of Jesus, similar to a pep talk or farewell speech, reassures the disciples of Jesus' ongoing concern before His imminent departure. The promised Spirit offers life, protection and guidance to us all. How rarely do I treasure the fact that Jesus speaks to the Father on my behalf and promises me the gift of the Spirit when He leaves. That same promise continues today, as we need the Spirit.

He continues to watch out for us in our need as He speaks to the Father on our behalf. The advocate is present to us all to guide and guard, to direct and sustain us on our journey of holiness. Basically Jesus tells me I am loved by all, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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